

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Burning of People by Terrorists in J and K

†3513. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item published in Dainik Jagran on 11th February, 2001 under the caption, "Aatankion ne 15 muslimon ko jinda jalaya";

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto;

(c) the shortcomings found in security in affected areas due to which such kind of incident occurred;

(d) whether the terrorists had captured the Indian control room, if so, how; and

(e) the security measures Government are taking to prevent the recurrence of such kind of incidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) Yes Sir. During the intervening night of February 09/10, 2001, terrorists killed 15 Bakerwal at the remote village Kote Chadwal, Budhal (Rajouri), Terrorists made a suicidal attack at Main Gate of Police Control Room Complex, Srinagar on 9th Feb., 01 in which two terrorists were killed, however 8 police personnel laid down their lives and seven police personnel sustained injuries in the encounter.

(d) No Sir. Terrorists made a suicidal attack on Police Control Room Complex, Srinagar, however security forces were able to kill them without their having entered the Control Room.

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

(e) The Government has been adopting a comprehensive approach to curb terrorism in J&K which includes, *inter alia*, strengthening the border management, appropriate security force actions in the hinterland, gearing up the intelligence machinery, improved technology, weapons, equipments for security forces, greater functional integration through a framework of Operations Groups and Intelligence Groups at UHQ and lower levels, etc. The security situation is regularly reviewed in the UHQ and at lower levels with a view to adopting appropriate strategies and tactics and meeting dynamic deployments of the security forces to counters the threats of the terrorists.

Increase in number of terrorist organisations after ceasefire

†3514. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in spite of declaration of unilateral ceasefire in Jammu and Kashmir there is an intelligence report regarding the increase in the number of terrorists organisations;

(b) if so, the facts regarding the increase in the number of terrorists organisations;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the participation of disgruntled people of Jammu and Kashmir has increased in these terrorists organisations; and

(d) if so, the facts thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) to (d) No, Sir. Pak backed terrorist outfits have rejected the peace initiative and have stepped up violent activity in order to thwart the peace process. Reports suggest that various outfits particularly, JeM, LeT, HM etc. have also reinforced their strength and firepower.

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